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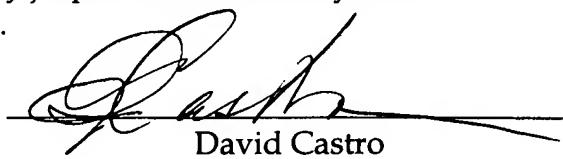
1. I am an employee at Sony Electronics Inc., one of the Sony companies of interest in the present application.
2. On October 23, 2001, I deposited via United States Postal Service Express Mail with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) the above-referenced non-provisional application papers.
3. The application papers included thirty-four (34) pages and twelve (12) Sheets of Drawings.
4. Included in the twelve (12) Sheets of Drawings deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on October 23, 2001, was a sheet labeled "Fig. 7".
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